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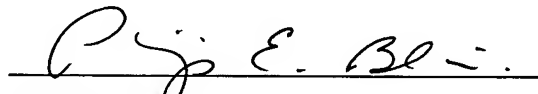
**Remarks**

This preliminary amendment corrects the dependency relationship of certain of the claims. Please enter the amended claims. Prosecution should proceed with regard to the claims as amended. Consideration is respectfully requested.

No additional fee is believed to be required for this amendment. However, the undersigned Xerox Corporation attorney (or agent) hereby authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025. This also constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and authorization to charge all fees therefor to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025.

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, he is hereby authorized to call Philip E. Blair, at Telephone Number 716-423-3977, Rochester, New York.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Philip E. Blair", is written over a horizontal line.

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